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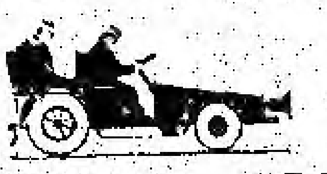

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Weekly whirligig

By K. W.

The question that will not down, far as Nisei youths are concerned the army. Even after two years talking, arguing and writing about this columnist still bumps into it ecuently—and often in the most expected places. The "ofuro" r instance. There is still lacking, owever, a clear understanding of e situation, with the natural re-ult that one hears at times most logical conclusions about the whole ffair.

As far as this columnist can make ut there are two differing angles to First, in regard to compulsory aining camps, which mean now conscription of certain age classes or the "duration", but only for ser-ice actually within Canada. Sec-ond, in regard to the Active Service Forces, that is subject to duty any-where from Spitzbergen to Tokyo, anytime!

Chief interest of the Nisei in the past, from the viewpoint of numb-bers, was the training camp. When the government first announced its plan, many believed that they would be called up, and had looked for-ward to a novel experience. The government, however, later an-nounced that Canadian-born Orient-als in British Columbia would be ex-empt, giving as a reason, the fear of "incidents."

To military authorities that seems to be a very real fear, although the Nisei find it hard to understand. Apparently the authorities are con-vinced that there is a grave danger that relatively undisciplined Canad-ian youth, many of whom are in camp more from compulsion, than choice, could easily be aroused over slight cause to provoke a positive clash. And such "incidents" con-ceivably might even have interna-tional repercussions.

Active Service is a somewhat dif-ferent question. Nisei exclusion in B. C. seems to be less a matter of military policy, more a matter of provincial politics exercising an in-fluence upon recruiting and com-manding officers, who have the authority to accept any man into their units.

Most of the Nisei will recall a motion introduced in the Provincial Legislature by R. L. Maitland last year. The Conservative leader wanted it very clearly stated that even in Canadian-born Orientals served in the Active Army, they would not receive the vote.

That puts the case in a nutshell. There is opposition, and opposition apart entirely from the nature of the international situation, to accepting Canadian-born Orientals as full citi-zens in B. C. And provincial poli-ticians are wholly opposed to giving the Nisei a leg to stand on, in ask-ing for citizenship. Active Service in the army would amount to two very strong legs!

Exceptions recorded thus far as University students taking basic training; and the one recruit ac-cepted into the Forestry Corps. In the latter instance, I am informed, he was able to enlist because the Corps was in very great need of men skilled in forestry operations for ser-vice elsewhere than in B. C. And from a practical point of view, a Japanese Canadian falling trees, or tending hook, could not be regard-ed as a potential danger of any im-portance, whereas an engineer working on machinery or a wire-less operator would be a horse of a different color entirely—at least in the minds of suspicious authorities.

There very briefly, in any case, are the reasons I can make out why the Nisei are not in uniform—as yet! Knowing the reasons, perhaps a plan can be worked out how to get there—if the Nisei are genu-inely intent on it.

A Conference Feature

Prominent Victorians Judge Oratory

VICTORIA.—Three prominent Victoria citizens have con-sented to act as judges for the annual national oratorical contest, sponsored by the Japanese Canadian Citizens League in connection with its annual conference.

They are: Miss Margaret Clay, head librarian of the Victoria Public Library, Mr. H. L. Smith, Principal of Victoria High School, and Mr. Frank Paulding, Secretary of the Victoria Y.M.C.A., and well-known public speak-ing instructor.

Mainland speakers in the Oratorical contest are Miss Kay Kato, whose topic is "Reconciling Discordant Elements"; Mal-colm Fukami of Mission City, and Kinzie Tanaka ,who will speak on "Your Mind and Mine."

Victoria speakers are Miss Shigeno Fujikawa, on the topic, "Opportunities in Adult Education," and Miss Fumiko Shimizu, "Torch of Freedom."

Champion orator will receive the Nemichi trophy, won last year by Thomas Tamaki, of Sunbury, while the Hisaoko Trophy and Kagetsu Trophy will be awarded to divisional winners.

Sam Okamoto, of Victoria, will be chairman for the con-test which takes place Sunday night, October 12, from 8.30 p.m.

On the Newsfront

Seattle J.A.C.L. Organizes Hostesses for Soldiers

SEATTLE — Organization of a Nisei girls branch of the Junior Volunteer Hostesses of Seattle is being carried out by the J.A.C.L. Purpose of the hostesses is to pro-vide social entertainment for volun-teers and selectees training away from home in Uncle Sam's army training camps. Hostesses must be over 18 and file snapshots at a cen-tral registry.

Wakasugi Mission Arrives in Washington

WASHINGTON — A delegation of Japanese officials, headed by Ka-name Wakasugi, Japanese minister attached to the embassy at Wash-ington, arrived at the capitol Thurs-day, after a plane flight from Mexico City.

The delegation, which is expected to play an important part in current Japanese - American rapprochement conversations, disembarked at Aca-pulco, Mexico, from the K-Line freighter, Terukawa Maru, Sunday.

Cherry Blossoms Bloom In October Heat Wave

WASHINGTON, D.C.—With a 90-degree plus temperature heat wave sweeping the city for almost a week, the famous Japanese cherry trees along the banks of the Poto-mac River, have blossomed out in fresh pink blooms. Drought and heat have seared the leaves.

Protest Burnett Campaign

JCCL Letters to Victoria and Ottawa Decry Vicious Election Attacks

VANCOUVER, Oct. 10.—Letters protesting against the racial attacks made by T. E. Burnett, Liberal candidate for the Provincial Legislature in Vancouver East, are being sent by the National Executive of the Japanese Canadian Citi-zens League to Premier Pattullo in Victoria and to Prime Min-ister Mackenzie King in Ot-tawa.

Copies of the letters are also being forwarded to the mem-bers of the Government Advis-ory Committee on the Oriental Question, including Mayor Fred Hume of New Westminster, As-sistant Commission F. J. Mead, Lt.-Col. Macgregor Macintosh, Col. A. W. Sparling, and H. F. Angus, and to Dr. H. L. Keen-leyside of the Department of External Affairs at Ottawa.

In its letters the League charged that by his election campaign speeches, in which he urged the ousting of all Japan-ese Canadians from their jobs and accused them as being "Quisling", Burnett was fo-menting race hatred and caus-ing disunity in B. C. The League charged that Burnett was undermining Japanese Canadian support for the war effort by creating resentment and damaging the morale of the people.

Burnett's platform, League spokesmen said, was obviously pure nonsense, and would not be seriously endorsed by re-sponsible members or leaders of the Liberal Party.

The Federal Government, they stated, has indicated on numerous occasions that it is wholly opposed to such action as Burnett has been guilty of recently.

It's Getting Us Burned Up, Too!!!

Tatsuro "Buck" Suzuki, ac-tive young Nisei leader and fisherman from Sunbury, is be-coming somewhat irritated.

He is wondering too just what form of democracy we have here in British Columbia.

Last Friday, he took along his self-made bow and arrow to the Game Office in New Westminster. There he applied for a hunting permit, so he could join the hundreds of sport shooting fans who yearly crowd the mashes along the Fraser trying to bring down the migrating wild ducks.

He had to take along an old-fashioned bow. Last year At-torney-General Gordon S. Wis-mer took away his shotgun and rifle, just as he took them away from all Japanese and Chinese in the Province, Canadian-born or otherwise.

Said Mr. Wismer at that time, we know you people are loyal all right, but the way things are right now you know trouble might start up between you and the Chinese living here. That would be bad, tsk, tsk, so you'd better turn in your guns.

So Buck, deprived of his favorite fall sport in the inter-ests of higher patriotism, made himself a bow to try his luck this season against the high-flying ducks.

Sorry, said the Provincial cops at the New Westminster Game Office. You're not al-lowed to have firearms and a bow and arrow is classed as a firearm. Besides we have ord-ers from Vancouver not to is-sue hunting permits to anyone with a bow and arrow. I think you'd better forget about it this year too.

It's no small wonder that our friend Buck is irritated, and beginning to wonder just where is this democracy that we're supposed to be fighting so hard to preserve!

California Leaders Form "Fair Play" Group For Japanese

A campaign to curb the animus existing toward Jap-anese living in California was announced yesterday with the formation of the North-ern California Committee on Fair Play for Citizens and Aliens of Japanese Ancestry.

Governor Olson, honorary chairman; General David Prescott Barrows, committee chairman; educators, church-men, labor leaders, club wo-men and prominent business men joined in a declaration which said:

"Handling relations with the Japanese government is the job of our national gov-ernment, but the treatment given those citizens and non-citizens in California who happen to be of Japanese ex-traction is the responsibility of us Californians."

The statement said popular resentment against Japan might find expression in greater discrimination or even physical violence against persons of Japanese extraction. It was observed there have been few "gross violations of justice and good sportsmanship" toward the Japanese.

"A moment's thought will show such animus would be not only un-American," the statement said, "but also a menace to public welfare and the good name of our State."

This committee is not con-crened either to appraise or to guarantee the loyalty to the United States of citizens or resident aliens, whether they be of the Japanese or any other race.

"Espionage or subversive activities by Japanese resid-ents, as by anyone else, should be reported as a mat-of course to the FBI, not pri-vate individuals or vigilantes, should be left to take pro-tective measures. We believe in order under law, not un-der violence or caprice."

Galen M. Fisher is secre-tary of the committee, while among members are the fol-lowing prominent citizens: Robert G. Sropul and Mon-roe E. Deutsch, president and vice-president of the Univer-sity of California respective-ly; Frank S. Gains, mayor of Berkeley; Chester Rowell, noted newspaper commenta-tor; Ray L. Wilbur, president of Stanford University, and many others.

JACL Supports 'Anti-Dual Citizen' Move

WASHINGTON. — Declaring that "dual citizenship" facilitat-ed espionage, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson today sent Congress the draft of proposed legislation to eliminate com-plications in this problem.

Under the bill any national considered under the laws of another country to be the citi-zen of another country may be required to appear before a United States commissioner to make either formal renuncia-tion of United States citizen-ship or to take in open court the formal oath of allegiance to the

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Second Generation Citizens Gather

A STUDY of the program for the forthcoming national second generation conference sponsored by the Japanese Canadian Citizens League reveals a significant keynote to the whole question of our loyalty to the country of our birth.

There is no argument now over that question. As far as we know ourselves, our own loyalty is a fact, an accepted and recognized fact within our own community. The conference, accordingly, will limit its discussion to insuring that a resolution re-affirming Nisei loyalty is vividly and adequately worded. There is no need for further discussion or elaboration.

The average Nisei can probably find reasons abounding for not being inspired to Canadian loyalty. Rampant prejudice and discrimination, continued vicious political attacks, unjust and ill-conceived restrictions! But over and above and beyond all that is the undeniable fact that our birth, our education, our environment has been so essentially Canadian that Canadian we are, first, last and all the time.

The J.C.C.L. convention stands firmly on that conviction!

Our Festival of Peoples

ONCE each year for almost a decade the Folk Festival Society has brought to the people of Vancouver a demonstration that is unique in Canada, and indeed paralleled in but one or two instances throughout the rest of the world.

It is a festival of folk culture. A program of Old Worlds, both East and West, set against the familiar, day-to-day fabric of Canadian society. It is a vivid demonstration that only a city so placed and so cosmopolitan as Vancouver could afford. An array of the many richly-coloured, multi-faceted sources from which we in Canada can draw in the weaving of our own national tradition and culture.

We cannot urge too strongly upon our second generation readers that they take advantage of this opportunity to view something of the art and folkscraft, of the song and the dance, of the form and ceremony, and even of the psychological make-up of peoples all the way round the globe. To one who is aware of the common people, aware of oneself as an integral unit of society, and anxious to secure a sane and balanced perspective of his own problems, this Folk Festival will be a truly thrilling experience.

"SCREWBALL"

A RECENT issue of a well-known fishermen's weekly paper carries a brief description of the Liberal candidate, T. E. Burnett, seeking election in Vancouver East.

One word borrowed from the article, which half-heartedly supports the candidate, seems to place him correctly.

That word is "SCREWBALL."

Happily this "Screwball" has been the only candidate low enough, or irrational enough, to raise the racial issue in the election. He campaigns on a program to kick all Japanese Canadians out of their jobs. "Release" is the term he uses, with all the drawing-room delicacy of a gill-net fisherman.

Obviously sheer, unadulterated rot, his platform speeches so far have been proof of either of two things, perhaps both: (a) He hasn't the brains to think of anything intelligent, and hence is falling back on an old political line that used to catch innumerable suckers, or (b) He's trying to get to the wrong provincial institution. It shouldn't be Victoria. It should be Essondale.

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TWILIGHT THRUSH

The mist and darkness settle on the mountain,
The dew of night descends upon the mind,
These are true hours when thought is like a fountain
More pure and fresh than ever day designed.
The whippoorwill began at half-past seven...
But now the thrush speaks from the dusk of heaven.

—A. B.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

Editor, The New Canadian.

Dear Sir: I think that it's high time a stop was called to all the nonsense and the waste of time, effort and money that is taking place right now in the Nisei world. I mean the conferences and conventions which are taking up too much valuable space in your otherwise readable paper.

Conventions, as all wise people will agree with me deep down in their hearts, achieve practically nothing. What do the delegates talk about? Nothing but the usual round of self-evident truths. Experience has also taught me that no action whatsoever has been taken on the grand schemes cooked up at these conferences, especially the J.C.C.L. one.

Besides, just a few overburdened executives do ALL the work and the other delegates sit back, smirk, twiddle their thumbs, jig a few steps, spend a lot of unnecessary money, and go home saddened but not wiser persons.

Sir, I protest against the holding of all these sham conventions.

DISILLUSIONED.

Vancouver.

● Ed. Note—WOW!!!

HOKKU

A straining coolie
gathers a fallen blossom
and his load lightens.

A.B.

Burning Leaves

The smoke drifts up from the dreaming, dusky streets as you turn in at blue twilight. Burning autumn leaves send their pungence through the tents of the elms that give your neighborhood the look of the country, with its lanes for whistling or meditation, its quiet pools for idling and reflection.

Once you skipped a stone across the old millpond. It might be over there, just beyond where that boy is raking. A mist hung over the millpond evenings, most always, like the leaf smoke spiraling there by the gray stones of your neighbor's wall. The stone skillfully skipped by your knowing hand would send little ripples reaching out beyond your sight, blue touching silver making for mystery as the impulse entered the uncertainty of the mist. Did it touch a lily pad, startle a bullfrog, meet another ripple? Did it ever reach the farther shore? One never knew. One's thought reached out, but the eye could not follow.

Burning leaves, as the year turns reluctantly, then with increasing joy of tempo, to autumn, bring us somehow closer to home, to the quieter pleasures and satisfactions of domestic comforts and the compatibility radiating from a brighter fire—glowing on our own hearth. Fall may cause the fingers to tingle as one cuts back the rose bushes, but it rewards with a warm embrace within.

—*The Christian Science Monitor*

The Passing Of A Pacific Era

TUCKED away on the financial pages of the daily press a few days ago appeared reports on an order-in-council issued recently by the government at Ottawa. The order formerly banned imports from Japan, the Japanese Empire or Manchoukuo, except under special permit. A government spokesman described the order as "the logical follow up of last July's order freezing assets in Canada of residents of Japan and the subsequent notice of termination of the Anglo-Japanese Commercial Treaty insofar as it affects the Dominion."

The order of course has little effect on trade between the Dominion and Japan, for that trade has virtually disappeared. But it is significant as marking a formal close in trading relations between the two countries—relations which will come to an even more decisive break next July when the Commercial Treaty is finally abrogated. When that occurs, direct diplomatic representation, the last established connection between the two countries, will be the sole link across the North Pacific.

One cannot but feel regret that an era of good relationships thus passes. For looking back 87 years to the signing of the first Anglo-Japanese treaty (just a year after Commodore Perry first sailed his black ships up the Bay of Yedo to open the doors of feudal Japan at the point of his cannon) one reads a story of growing and developing trans-Pacific goodwill. Admittedly it has its breaks, its darker passages, its clashes of interests. But for three-quarters of a century, the opposite shores of the Pacific seemed to be drawing closer. To see them now pushed back almost to their original starting point by the tide of the past four years comes as an unpleasant experience.

In 1854 of course there was no Dominion, but the Canadas came within the Anglo-Japanese treaty as a part of the Empire. In 1894 a new treaty was effected containing the following significant clause:

> **"The subjects of each of the two high contracting parties shall have full liberty to enter, travel or reside in any part of the dominions or possessions of the other contracting party, and shall enjoy full and perfect protection for their persons and property."**

The treaty did not extend to Canada, now grown to some independence as a Dominion, but in 1905, the year when the Anglo-Japanese alliance became an instrument of Imperial policy in the Far East, Canada ratified the treaty "absolutely without reserve." That acceptance was a principal factor in swelling the tide of Japanese immigration into Canada, and indirectly, therefore in the 1907 riots.

A new treaty of Commerce and Navigation was signed by Great Britain and Japan in 1911, again providing for "full liberty to enter, travel, and reside in the territories of the other." Canada, however, because of the thorny immigration problem that continued to disturb British Columbia, delayed accepting the treaty until 1913. Her final adherence was made subject to the provision that it should in no way repeal any part of the Immigration Act of 1910 (which applied to the immigration of all aliens into Canada from all countries), a provision that was agreed to by Japan as not violating the spirit of the treaty by discriminating against Japanese subjects.

The abrogation of the treaty next year will of course give the Dominion a much freer hand in regulating immigration from Japan; and it will leave Japanese subjects resident in Canada with considerably less legal protection from discriminatory acts than was formerly the case.

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The complete cessation of trade and commerce is less dramatic than the break in treaty relations. In real terms of dollars and cents and in jobs for British Columbians, it may be even more important. To the historian, it is significant too

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By T. M. K.

Some of us aim for sophistication in the modern sense as the highest goal in refinement. Yet if we got down and analyzed the true meaning of that much mis-used word, we would find that we were aiming to be quibblers, deprived of simplicity and sincerity.

Sophists were ancient Greek paid teachers of philosophy and rhetoric, who could use any argument to upset any other argument. If their words were misleading, if their reasoning artificial, they did not care. The main thing was, they would argue; everything should be logically analyzed. The original sophists certainly did not dream that their scepticism would gradually deteriorate morals through the centuries that followed them. They thought to give Man intellectual freedom, and did not take into account that all men are not equal in high-mindedness or strength of character.

So that today, the term sophistication has a jaded meaning not at all acceptable to those of genuine refinement.

The Moderns Doubt and Mistrust

The sophisticates of today are sceptics, too, as were the ancient Greeks, but with this difference: where the original sophists merely applied logic and congratulated themselves on a particularly brilliant argument, the moderns doubt, generally mistrusting everything and anybody.

Then, today's trade-marks of sophistication include the ability to hold one's drink interminably, to dress faultlessly and fashionably, to know the latest in smart sayings, to know the right people and to do the right thing nonchalantly. Today's sophisticate is the man-about-town, the woman-of-the-world, smooth, blase, satiated. They have, too, that air of refinement that provokes the envy and emulation of the not-so-blessed. They have the polished manners, the subtlety that is the despair of the uninitiated. They seem to be the epitome of civilization.

Scratch Beneath the Surface

Yet, I suppose, if you scratch a sophisticate you would find beneath his array of accomplishments a common man. If his sophistication is merely a covering, you would find plenty of cracks and weak spots. Perhaps some innate vulgarity would sneak out in a weak moment; perhaps, on the other hand, an inborn simplicity would crop out to confound the artificiality.

In spite of the twentieth century connotations of the term sophistication, those ancient Greek sceptics, the Sophists, did stimulate the intellect to such an extent as to plant the seeds for future universities throughout the world. If they split hairs in logic, they also woke Man from a too smug acceptance of life 'as is'. It certainly was not their fault that the present definition of the term inclines more to the materialistic than to the intellectual point of view.

D-i-g-r-e-s-s-i-o-n-s

By TARO KATAYAMA

The [illegible]—or better, the ability—to philosophize about death comes only through having richly and passionately lived. To ask the young to look upon death with philosophic calm, before they have yet experienced life in its fullness, is in a way to encourage hypocrisy. The beautiful eloquence of such men as Sir Thomas Browne, Walter Raleigh, John Donne, in the presence or in the contemplation of death was the product of lives full lived and according to each one's particular lights. Death to the young, to the normal young that is, is at best a thing strange and alien, and at worst a horror and a disaster. They have such things they want to do, such dreams to realize, before they are returned to oblivious clay. It is no wonder that the death of a youth or a maiden always moves one more, strikes one closer to the heart, than the death of an older person. Who knows what thoughts and ambitions, what unfulfilled potentialities of beauty and grace perished with such a youth, with such a maiden?

Every person should have the right to realize his inherent possibilities, to arrive at such wisdom as comes with a sense of having striven well, though not perhaps with the hoped-for success. And that is why one is so moved by the tragedy of Chatterton, the English boy-poet who took his own life at 19 because of poverty; why one wishes that Rupert Brooke might have lived longer than his 28 years and that Keats, even though he accomplished so much in his brief life, might have been granted longer stay among the living.

Have you ever stopped to list some of the reasons why you wanted to continue living? I did once, and today I dig them out of an old notebook:

First, because I am not willing that all the sacrifices made, all the toil undergone, all the hopes built up for me by my parents, and particularly by my mother, should come to nothing.

Secondly, because I myself—mistakingly it may be—have a certain amount of faith in my potentialities; and I want an opportunity to find out whether or not my faith is justified. Given this opportunity, I feel sure I shall never give myself up completely to despair, even though my faith should prove groundless—for a wisdom of sorts, and experience at least, will have come to me.

Thirdly, because I like life for itself—for all its fair and multitudinous aspects—lovely girls, the music of sound and speech, eating and breathing and sleep, colors and shapes in the landscape, the feel of the sun, and all the other sights and activities and perceptions that make the art of living a joy and a consecration.

Thus I wrote in the callowness of my sophomore year in college. Somewhat less innocent today, I still find that life is a commodity about which I cannot be sincerely cynical. I still find it precious, and I wince at the by the hundreds and thousands on the hills and fields of Europe just thought of it now being crushed out like so many cigarette butts.

femme fare . . .

By CINDERELLA

WEEK-ENDING . . .

An invitation for a week-end is one of the loveliest compliments that one friend can give another . . . for it is a personal invitation to the very centre of an individual's life . . . an invitation to share that which is dearest and closest to an individual. And it should be treated as such.

And yet, one is often prone to forget this especial angle . . . and so week-ending is often one sure way of losing friends.

The first rule for the ideal house-guest is "Fit into the pattern of your hostess' routine, adapting oneself to the customs of the house in which you are a guest." Now, being a guest doesn't mean that one has to sit all day, taking up your hostess' time so that she has to give up her work for your sole entertainment. There is a limit even to hospitality.

On the other hand, because a good hostess will respect your freedom, and make plans that will leave you some leeway for your individual tastes, it is no excuse to make her home just a place to sleep in . . . dashing in, dashing out, coming in for the occasional lunch or dinner and sleep . . . in short, making your hostess' home merely a eating place and upper berth in which to catch up on a few hours sleep. It's really a matter of give and take.

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And there are certain undeniable duties of a house-guest. First, there's the matter of tipping if there is a servant in the house. Although some hostesses frown upon tipping, it is customary to tip the servant along with your "good-byes", for your presence has been an added burden to the servant. Do not make the tip in the presence of others.

There is the matter of a gift too. Should it be a gift for the whole family, or one more particularly to the special member who has invited you. We Japanese, steeped in this traditional social custom "giri", are often apt to carry this expression of appreciation a little too far, but it is an error which errs on the side of social correctness. The gift is a thoughtful and gracious acknowledgment of appreciation. It is really preferable to take something of a general nature, to be enjoyed by the family, such as a box of candy or fruit, one or two current books, a group of magazines, some rare delicacies. Of course, if one wishes he may take two gifts, one for the family, and one especially for the particular friend in the family with whom one is staying.

A house-guest's obligation doesn't cease with the presentation of a gift or gifts. There is the "bread and butter" letter to write after the visit . . . one to your friend, and more important, one to the head of the household, who has been chiefly responsible for your good times.

Remember, too, an invitation for a week-end in a home is an invitation to that person's inner-life—so it should be treated as such.

Well, here's to a happy week-end in Victoria!

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SOME OF LIFE'S EMBARRASSING MOMENTS . . .

Haven't we all met with embarrassing moments . . . moments which even Emily Post seems to have overlooked in her famous "Blue Book". One of them is the matter of gloves. You want to shake hands and you have gloves on. Should you say "Pardon my glove", and hastily pull off the offending glove, and then proceed to shake hands, or should you shake hands anyway, without saying anything? That's the problem. Sometimes, things are better left unsaid, and it will pass unnoticed. After all, what is more simpler than just shaking hands, gloves on or no gloves? "Pardon my glove" is a vulgar expression.

A whole vast array of silverware, especially, an array of forks at a formal dinner, can, at times, take one's appetite away . . . even for one's favorite dessert. Don't let that get you down. Here's a simple rule: If the table is properly set, the outside fork is correct. If the table is set incorrectly, then why bother. Trust to your own common sense, and just go right ahead . . . quietly, without fuss, and no one will be the wiser.

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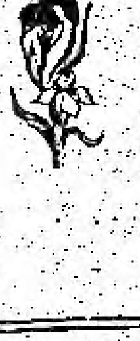

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This year the display will be classed into ten sections, each section being devoted to one variety of chrysanthemum. Of these ten sections, three — the "Mrs. Snow", "Corporal Piper" and "Incurve" species—will be open to competition.

Prizes for the winning entries will be given out Monday evening with Mr. E. Kagetsu, prominent business man, presenting the Kagetsu Cup to the Grand Champion.

The show will start at 8 Saturday evening, and will be open all day Sunday and Monday from 9 in the morning to 10 at night. Tea will be served on these two days in the afternoon from 1 to 4:30. No admission fee is being charged, but a silver collection will be taken.

Niseis are cordially invited to take in the display.

Churches Mark Thanksgiving

Harvest and Thanksgiving Sunday will be observed this coming Sunday, October 12, ice in the Fairview United at the Young People's Serv- Church. The service, which will commence at 11 a.m., will be held in a beautiful setting of autumn flowers and foliage.

Mr. Takeshi Komiyama will bring a message appropriate for the day: "Thanksgiving in Times Like These."

The music for the day will include a duet "Prayer Perfect" by Misses Takako Nikaido and Marie Akiyama, and a solo "Thanks Be to God" by Miss Akiko Gomimaru.

All young people are invited to join in this special service.

At Powell United the Junior Church will join with the Senior in a special thanksgiving service at 11 a.m. Sunday morning, when Rev. K. Shimizu will take for his sermon topic, "Reasons for Thanksgiving."

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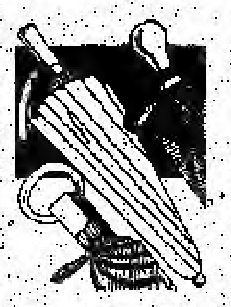

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(From the Vancouver Daily Province)

Money given by the Buddhist Japanese women of British Columbia for comforts to soldiers overseas is serving a double purpose.

Besides providing $100 worth of cigarettes monthly for ten months, the $2043 fund will enable the British Columbia Services Canteen to be operated solely by B.C. women in London.

W. A. McAdam, agent general for the province in London, has written Vancouver officials of the auxiliary services asking permission to spend the balance of $1200, after purchase of smokes for ten months, on making the canteen independent of the British Y. M. C. A.

The proposal has been approved by the Auxiliary Service Section of the Co-ordinating Council, of which Captain M. C. Robinson is chairman.

The money gift from the Buddhist Japanese women was made last July and was accompanied by a letter in which a Japanese spokesman for the women said: "The members (Canadian Buddhist Women's Association) are indeed grateful to the Canadian troops, as they realize it is only their courage and determination which are preventing the wholesale destruction of the democratic system against overwhelming odds."

Mr. McAdam says the canteen is operated most efficiently by Mrs. Ena Anderson, formerly of Vancouver, assisted by more than 100 women, many of whom are British Columbians.

About 5000 meals are served weekly in the canteen. It is open to all members of the forces and girls attached to the auxiliary forces.

V . . . —for Victory

Alberni Album

By T.M.I.

PORT ALBERNI. — The monthly meeting of the Alberni J.C.C.A. was held Sunday last with Frank Otake in the chair.

Athletic convenor George Kinoshita suggested that we have a badminton club this year. The members agreeing enthusiastically, it was decided to start organization immediately.

There is an unconfirmed rumour afloat that we may possibly have a recreational hall in the near future. This will mean we can play all kinds of winter indoor sports.

Wedding bells will be ringing for Sam Kondo, former Vancouverite, and Shizu Kawakami this week-end. We wish them the best of everything.

Mrs. Rosie Kinoshita, now in town, must be slipping. Or is it the alley. In any case she blew three consecutive frames at the local bowling alley recently.

Frank Otake, our prexy, has been elected vice-president of the United Church Y.P.S.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Mori were visitors to Port Alberni last week-end.

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New Advance Editor At Victory Rally

A Mass Youth Victory Rally is being held on Sunday, October 12th, at the White Rose Ballroom, under the sponsorship of the New Advance Guild. The rally will climax the National tour of Bernard Muller, active young managing editor of the "New Advance."

Mr. Muller has had discussions on the role of the New Advance in the campaign for Victory with young Canadians from all walks in life. During his brief visit to Vancouver Mr. Muller will meet with students, young trade unionists, and young people from National and Christian groups.

The Rally will feature a colorful and novel program with the gay dances and songs of the Ukrainians, Finnish and Icelandic Folk; the highlight of the evening will be Mr. Muller's address on "The Advance" for Victory.

"DUAL"

(Continued from Page 1)

United States.

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...akodos for the event ...and Mrs. J. Terada and ... Mrs. M. Ohori.

...o Y. P. S. . . .

...on of officers will be ...n item of business when ...ho Young People meet ...ning Sunday, October ...he home of Sam Wata... 57 E. Cordova Street. ...eting will commence at ...arp. All members are ...o turn out to this im... meeting.

...l Shower . . .

... Dorothy Oka, popular ... bride elect, whose mar... Mr. Yamamoto of Ham... will take place on Octo...nd, was the guest of ... at a surprise miscel...s shower given her fel...lass-mates at Marietta ... of Costume Design, on ...day, October 9th.

...is Wind-up

...and Mrs. Charley Tanaka ... host and hostess at their ...Twentieth Avenue home ... annual wind-up party of ...Asahis Baseball Club. ... members will invite ... guests for the evening.

● Powell Y.P.

Powell Y.P. will hold its regular fortnightly meeting next Sunday evening in the Church Hall, when Kasey Oyama will conduct a Christian Culture meeting.

● From California . . .

Returning from Los Angeles this week, after a year's study in aero mechanics from the Curtiss-Wright Technical Institute, was Don Tani, well-known Port Alberni Nisei.

● Marpole Skate-fest . . .

Marpole Basketball club will join the ranks of merry roller skaters sponsoring a skating party at Happyland on Monday, October 27.

● Roller Fest . . .

A rollicking bang-up to the long Thanksgiving week-end is a date with the Japanese Table Tennis League's skatefest at Happyland this Monday, from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Get your tickets now for an evening of laughter, thrills and spills from Tanaka Bicycle Shop or from Tennis League Members.

● Friendship Circle Tea . . .

The graduate members of Powell United C.G.I.T. will hold a Friendship Circle Tea at the Powell United Church at 8 p.m. on Monday, October 13. Musical entertainment will feature the social evening. Tickets are only 25c and obtainable from any member.

● Nisei Christian Fellowship

Members of the Nisei Christian Fellowship will meet on Saturday, October 11, at the home of Miss Masako Hamanaka, 206 Main Street, at 8 p.m. to discuss the B.C. Y.P.C.C. study outlines. All members are requested to attend. Friends interested in the topic are cordially invited to join the members at this special meeting.

● Nisei Players' Club . . .

With drama night changed from Tuesday to Thursdays, the Nisei Players are preparing a bigger and better programme of dramatic entertainment for the fall term. Would-be actors and actresses are requested to turn out at Carleton Clay's Studio this coming Thursday, October 16, at 8:15 p.m., for a new play is being cast.

★ CALENDAR

OCTOBER

11—Asahis Wind-up Party, Charley Tanaka's home.
11—Nisei Christian Fellowship, 206 Main Street, 8.00 p.m.
11—Meiwa Gakuen Bashikai Bazaar, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.
11-12—Kokonoye Kai Mum Show, Japanese Hall.
12—Powell Y.P.S. Regular Meeting.
12-13—6th Annual J.C.A.L. National Convention, Victoria.
13—Table Tennis League Skatefest, Happyland, 35c.
14-18—9th Annual Vancouver Folk Festival Week, Hudson Bay.
17-18—Gakuyukai Annual Play, Japanese Hall.
18—Alumni Ass'n. Elections, Dr. Miyazaki's home.
25—Bussei Nite, Hastings Auditorium.
26—Annual Fall Convention of Buddhist Young People, Maple Ridge Temple.
27—Marpole Basketball Club Roller-Skating Party, Happyland, 35 Cents.

Informal Gaiety For Bussei Dance-Social

The informality of a house party is the note that Bussei young people will strike at their pre-convention dance-social, when members of the Hompa Y.M.W.B.A. will have as their guests members from the remaining seven chapters in the Bussei League.

Group games, cards, and dancing are all arranged on the program, which is being held at the Hastings Auditorium from 7:30 to 11:30, Saturday evening, October 25.

Patrons for the party will be Rev. and Mrs. E. Mitsubayashi and Rev. and Mrs. R. Tatibana.

Kito Forms Dance Club for Younger Set

Kito Kato, Niseiville's star jitterbug, said this week that he hopes to start an informal Nisei Social Club, which will hold weekly dances Friday nights at the New Pier. Kito will volunteer to teach beginners, and even the experts, the modern swing steps, as well as the technique of jitter-bugging.

The club will dance from 8:30 to 11:30, and collect a fee of 15c, or 25c, from a couple. Music from the latest swing bands imported via the disc method.

Niseis interested are asked to contact Kito personally or write to him c-o The New Canadian. If there is enough response, Kito hopes to get started next Friday.

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A surprise number is on the program. It is being kept a dark, dark secret until the very moment it takes place.

A special music program will be presented between scenes under the watchful eyes of Roy Kumano, versatile harmonica artist. Lily Inouye, Alice Watanabe and George Shishido will be heard in popular Japanese songs. Another musical treat will be provided by a Hawaiian ensemble headed by the talented Martha Hori.

Students' Night

Friday evening will be Students' night, when students will be admitted at the special price of 25c. Adults' tickets priced at 50c will be honoured both Friday and Saturday evenings. Children will be charged 25c.

Kiyoshi Suga will make the opening speech with Emy Okukawa acting in the capacity of Mistress of Ceremonies.

Sidelights . . . Frank Nakamura is up to his neck in work with his double duties as production head and costume director . . . Kaz Suga and Mi Akiyama are working on special rain effects . . . A special crew is being trained to make sure the four changes in scenery will run off smoothly . . . Get your ducats now!!!

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A number of special articles illustrate the effects of the war on Canada. Among these are "National Registration," "Canadian Agriculture," "Construction Industry," "Civil Aviation and the Defence Program," "War-Time Control under the Foreign Exchange Control Board" and many others.

Applications for the purchase of copies should be made at once to the King's Printer, Ottawa, since the supply is limited. The price for the complete volume is only $1.50. Teachers, ministers, and students may secure special paper-bound copies for the nominal price of 50c by writing to the Dominion Statistician, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

Ganges Gleanings

By THE GLEANER

Arriving on our Island recently was our new minister, Archdeacon Holmes, formerly of Saskatoon. He is settling down here with his family, and we hope to keep him here permanently. Archdeacon Holmes, who has had a great deal of experience in scout work, has already formed a group of boy scouts, who are progressing very rapidly.

A tea party was held at the Harbour House Hotel on Wednesday, September 24, in honour of the Archdeacon and his wife, who was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

Our monthly confirmation was held with the Archdeacon present.

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Rev. Nakayama, with Miss Horobin, who came from Japan not long ago, came for a short visit to the Island. The Ganges Young People's Society held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Best. Some interesting stories were told by Miss Horobin, Rev. Nakayama, and Archdeacon Holmes. Later in the evening, refreshments were served.

Red Cross Notes

Ten Million Articles Made For Red Cross

"More than ten million articles have been made by Canadian women for the Red Cross since the beginning of the war. The quality of the work is steadily improving," stated Mrs. Wallace Campbell, national chairman of the Red Cross Women's Work Committee, at the recent council meeting. Red Cross knitters have made fifty-four types of articles.

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Capital City Chatter

Last call folks! Will see you all at the Convention!

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Banquet and Dance—6 p. m. and 8:30 p.m. Monday.

Crystal Gardens, Belleville Street Entrance.

WHO'S WHO from the Capital City JCCL

(Convention P.S.: With all Nisei eyes focussed on Victoria this week-end, it might be a good idea to look behind the scenes at the people who are making things tick. Here are a few of the members of the Victoria J.C.C.L. picked at random, caught in an unguarded moment. Yours, P.C.)

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Miss I. G. Okamoto—president of Victoria J.C.C.L. . . . 2nd vice-prexy of National Council . . . professor of piscatology . . . recent winner of the Allcock Shield.

Masao Kuwabara — past prexy . . . veteran melon juggler . . . first string catcher for the Tillicum Athletics, local senior ball team . . . soon to retire from the local list of eligibles.

Yaeko Henmi—capable secretary of the local chapter, serving in that capacity for the second successive year . . . official delegate . . . Victoria College grad, and holds a Commercial Certificate.

Toshio Uyede — Registration and Finance Committee . . . student of judo . . . owner of fishing boat "Denman" . . . skilled in carpentry . . .

Marion Yoneda — treasurer of the local chapter . . . regular participant in oratorical contest . . . honors in typing.

Muneo Kawasoe — Island soap box champ . . . social committee authority on Egyptian archaeology . . . possesses wonderful collection of butterflies . . . artist.

Itsuo Henmi — commonly known as Jack . . . self made "pangynist" . . . Y. M. C. A. . . . camera enthusiast . . . "I'm flat."

Fumiko Shimizu — convenor of Red Cross group . . . upholding local honor in the oratorical contest.

Sam Okamoto — vice-president . . . former National Councillor . . . active in local religious circles . . . past Island oratory champ.

George Kuwata—social committee . . . wizard of sharps and flats . . . original member of Taiyo basketball squad.

Takashi Ono—Housing Committee . . . plays football for the Saanich Thistles . . . prosperous dairyman.

Toyo Takata—local premier jitter-bug . . . information bureau on out-of-town visitors . . . hobby—marriage discussions . . . ambition: story-book ending—"to live happily ever after."

Riverside Ripples:

Gillnetting Slack: Three Day Close

By "RIPPLER"

Gillnetting Slackens

Last week registered a lull on the Fraser River, as the pinks and cohoes continued up the river to the spawning grounds.

It is believed, however, that there will be another school of cohoes before long.

Chums (dog salmon) have also started to come in slowly.

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Three Day Close

Beginning last week, Sept. 26th, the three day-close period has come into effect on the Fraser for gill-netting. To the usual Saturday and Sunday lay-off, has been added Friday.

Dance Very Successful

The social and dance held recently at the Strawberry Hill Gogakko, by the Delta, East Richmond, Surrey Chapter of the J.C.C.L. turned out to be a very great success.

Folks from far and (Woodfibre, Hammond, Vancouver, Steveston) came to join the local crowd to make the event a gay get-together.

We of the local J.C.C.L. chapter wish to tender thanks to all of you who were present, and hope that you will join us again.

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Best Wishes

To Miss Kay Kumagai of this district, very sincere good wishes on her recent engagement to a very well known popular Vancouver man.

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"Chatter"

Please do tell us the reason Mister Happy Birt' (S.M. K.S.) for that happy-go-lucky mood on the night of the dance. Won't you give us one of your prescriptions. . . . Mister Master of Ceremonies, bouquets to you for a swell job.

PACIFIC ERA, cont'd from page 2

as placing Canada and Japan on the same footing as they were over half a century ago, before the first ship carried a cargo in either direction.

Although Canadian trade with Japan was often regarded as practically negligible compared to that with Great Britain and the United States, Japan by 1929 had become Canada's third best customer. Certainly as far as the Orient was concerned, Japan was the most important nation, and assuming continued peaceful development of Pacific Relations, the volume and value of that trade might have been expected to recover from the set-backs given to it by the "Great Depression", and to become increasingly important.

Starting from negligible quantities in 1900, both imports from and exports to Japan had risen at varying rates until 1930 when the former were valued at $13,000,000, the latter at $30,500,000. The years since were marked by a decline in both classes, due at first to the influence of the "depression" and latterly to the strain on international political relations, until by the summer of this year Canadian-Japanese trade had virtually disappeared. Ottawa's recent order banning all imports comes, therefore, as a final clincher to an era of growth and decline that covered the past several decades.

What new relationships will be ushered in, perhaps in the post-war period, cannot well be foreseen because of the doubtful nature of that period. In spite of the definite break today, however, there is little doubt that normal trans-Pacific intercourse will be restored as soon as is possible. Possibly the diplomatic representations which were established in 1929, and which are still maintained, may point the way to the reconstruction of newer and better trans-Pacific relations. Possibly the second generation Japanese in the post-war period may have some part in that process, for there can be no denying that if Canada is to look westward as a world nation, her interests in the Pacific will be vital interests.

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City -- Mecca For Country Folk

By Y. H.

ohammedans have their Mecca, the Jews their Jerusalem, but the fishermen and the millhands in and around New Wes- in the Lower Fraser Valley turn their eyes towards their on Saturday evenings.

was Saturday that I was in New Westminster last. The scenes I saw that evening have etched themselves in my there wasn't anything wonderful about New Westminster that n't say there is anything wonderful about cities—but I always w Westminster as a pretty drab town.

Town.

Westminster and Columbia Street are inseparable. The geo- aphy of the city accounts for the fact that New Westminster is town ... The banks of the Fraser rise sharply at this point. avy traffic between Vancouver and the rich farmlands of the y is bottle-necked into Columbia Street, the "Main Street" of City. On Saturday nights, this broad way is Vancouver's Hastings and Georgia Streets rolled into one.

first let me take you to Front Street for that is where my parked his car. Decades ago when the honest burghers of named this their Front Street, for it faces the river, they did the time when the construction of a bridge spanning the muddy ther up would channel the life-giving traffic along Columbia ead. Now Front Street is, ironically enough, a back street, ill- d smacking of the dead-end streets of flickerdom.

Saturday nights it takes on a certain respectability. The over- olumbia Street finds its way here. The barber shops, the butcher filled with customers waiting patiently for service. The second ps come to life and throw the light of their flickering lamps nto the murky street. In sharp contrast the Army and Navy ts gaudy, blistering fluorescent rays into the gloom.

he street itself, cars are parked here, there, everywhere. One car of its place and another slips right into the vacated spot. For me I can't imagine how the poor driver of the car in the middle thers parked in a row, with the bumpers touching is going to get e jam ... A "black Maria" comes cruising by, the arm of the eady to squelch any disturbance ... A 1934 Dodge comes along, stutters to a stop. Its door creak open and out pour a ozen kids, a stolid woman struggles out with an infant in her e father of the family wearing a dusty old suit, a dusty old hat usty pair of shoes, locks the car. This picture is repeated many uring the course of the early evening.

companion suggests a stroll. We decide to pass through the nd Navy store from its back, "Front Street", entrance. Its cosy ndly atmosphere surprises me ... Kids pop out from every- We make our way out to the front, when I notice in the department the family I had seen tumbling off the old Dodge he father has just nodded his approval of a purchase. I stare half- ed while he pulls out a battered old billfold from the depths of et, and I almost choke to see his earth-grained hands paw out some dollar bills for the salesman ... The farmers have had better his year.

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l of Noises

blast of noise greets us as we step out into Columbia Street. It's almost only the people scurrying past us seem to know just where e heading for. My eyes glance down the street and are arrested by handsome neon clock fronting the new "Mc and Mc" hardware rniture store. It tells me that it is seven-thirty. A host of other lamour for attention. A Babel of noise rises from the street below. come puffing to the curb, disgorge their passengers and fill up Cops in white raincoats patrol the street corners where no robot in controlling the flow of traffic. The screech of brakes, the hoot ot of indignant and impatient motorists, the machine gun outbursts motorbike or two complete the picture.

Just across the street in the shadows of a many-storied building a ion Army group is holding a street meeting. From out of a back- d of blaring brasses come a few semi-hoarse male voices with some ine notes fluttering above the din. As we turn our steps up the the words of their song follow us in ripples, now strong, now faint turmoil of the street, eddies to and fro ... "Leaning on the ever- g arms" ... Out of the milling throng a half-drunk youth s across our path.

Almost every other persons is an acquaintance it seems. Smartly ed young Niseis are in the crowd too. My companion waves a greet- o some of them, a gay bunch of merry-makers. I find myself taking stant liking to their carefree, boistrous air. An undercurrent of ex- ent sweeps along the street.

This was a New Westminster I had not seen before. A city very few Vancouverites know, I suspected. As we drove away I felt I too had shared after a fashion Keats' experience when he first looked Chapman's Homer.

Saroyan . . . The Immigrant Penrod

One day Miss Daffney tried to tell the world I was the author of the poem on the blackboard that said she was in love with Mr. Derringer and ugly. The author of the poem was my cousin Arak, not me. Any poem I wrote wouldn't be about Miss Daffney, it would be about something worthwhile. Nevertheless, without mentioning any names, but with a ruler in her hand, Miss Daffney stood beside my desk and said, I am going to find out who is responsible for this horrible outrage on the blackboard and see that he is properly punished.

He? I said. How do you know it's a boy and not a girl?

Miss Daffney whacked me on the knuckles of my right hand. I jumped out of my seat and said, You can't go around whacking me on the knuckles. I'll report this.

Sit down, Miss Daffney said.

I did. She had me by the right ear, which was getting out of shape from being grabbed hold of by Miss Daffney and other teachers.

I sat down and quietly, almost inaudibly, said, You'll hear about this.

Hold your tongue, Miss Daffney said, and although I was sore as the devil, I stuck out my tongue and held it, while the little Mexican, Japanese, Armenian, Greek, Italian, Portuguese and plain American boys and girls in the class who looked to me for comedy, roared with laughter. Miss Daffney came down on my hand with the ruler, but this time the ruler grazed my nose. This to me was particularly insulting, inasmuch as my nose then, as now, was large. A small nose would not have been grazed and I took Miss Daffney's whack as a subtle comment on the size of my nose.

I put my bruised hand over my hurt nose and again rose to my feet.

You told me to hold my tongue, I said, insisting that I had done no evil, had merely carried out her instructions, and was therefore innocent, utterly undeserving of the whacked hand and the grazed nose.

You be good now, Miss Daffney said. I won't stand any more of your nonsense. You be good.

I took my hand away from my nose and began to be good. I smiled like a boy bringing her a red apple. My audience roared with laughter and Miss Daffney dropped the ruler, reached for me, fell over the desk, got up and began to chase me around the room.

There I go again, I kept saying to myself while Miss Daffney chased me around the room. There I go again getting in a mess like this that's sure to end in murder, while my cousin Arak, who is the guilty one, sits there and smiles. There's no justice anywhere—

When Miss Daffney finally caught me, as I knew she would unless I wanted even more severe punishment from Mr. Derringer, there was a sort of free-for-all during which she tried to gouge my eyes out, pull off my ears, fingers, and arms, and I, by argument, tried to keep her sweet and ladylike.—From *My Name Is Aram,* by William Saroyan. Harcourt, Brace and Co. New York.

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Diamond Squads Split Doubleheader

Say, what's this that has crept into our Sport's page? Are we seeing things, or are we by chance ahead of Father Time. Baseball, of all things, at this time of the year! Sure, the World's Series was only last week, but that's hardly an excuse for the Bussei Baseball League to be still playing ball and crowding out winter sports.

The repeated delays in the Bussei finals have most of the players on edge, and to put it mildly, they're all fighting mad. Tempers flared at last Sunday's games—which nearly came to blows at times.

In the first game at Powell Grounds, Frank Hoshizaki, Hammond's ace twirler, held the defending champions scoreless, while his team-mates capitalized on Ken Onishi's error at second to score the lone run of the game.

A complete reversal was registered, however, in the afternoon tilt at Hammond when Kiyoshi Misumi gave a superlative mound performance, limiting the Farmers to two hits. The defending champs ran through three chuckers, Yorky Tamura, Frank Hoshizaki and Kas Hoshizaki all in one inning, scoring 9 runs to even up the final series.

The third and final game will be played at Powell Grounds this Sunday,—that is, **if the weather permits.**

Turkey Tourney For Langara Golfers

A nice fat, plump Thanksgiving turkey is the top prize that Nippon Golf Club members will tee-off for at noon Sunday at Langara in the annual 18-hole handicap affair.

Two chickens are also up on the block, all donated for the event by S. Maikawa market.

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Add flash: Two weeks late! Asahis were edged out of the diamond wars by Angelus Hotel, but they did gather unto themselves a wee shining cup, symbolic of Burrard Baseball League golf supremacy.

The six man team of Herby Tanaka, Reggie Yasui, Jimmy Fukui, George Ogino, Mike Maruno and Charlie Tanaka finished one point up on the Angelus team counting aggregate scores of the best four.

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Sports Spotlite

Another week gone and here's your columnist making that last minute sprint to beat the deadline. All the varying winter sports are still in their preparatory stages with the result that there's little or practically nothing going on in our lil' Tokyo sports arena.

The casaba situation for the coming winter is rapidly taking form, greatly relieving the league big-wigs who feared that the shortage of players would mean no league.

On the subject of basketball a missive of hot-wind blew in from up Woodfibre way. The pulp and paper town, 'tis said, is stepping high, wide and handsome and is claiming a super-super cage machine that will push over (ahem) any quintette in our community. (Ed. note: At long last answer to Czar Akiyama's prayers. He has been looking high and low for a team to pit against the Fife Nippons this year in Vancouver, and if you Woodfibre fellows are as good as you claim, well, his worries are over. By the way, what kind of flowers do you like?)

Here's an excerpt or two from the letter—to tell you the truth it pretty near convinces me too. "We've got a promising lineup and threaten to kick the (tsk, tsk) out of any city team this season. How about making arrangements to play, perhaps Maikawa's, the team with all those has-been stars. (Does that burn you up Maikawas!) We have two workouts a week and are now in mid-season form. Shooting is good and with some speed, which will come in due time, we have confidence in saying that we will challenge and BEAT any team in your league. (Har-har, from me to you 'B.T.')."

Although this writer doubts the accuracy of the mathmatics, here are the names and their respective heights—forwarded, methinks, for the purpose of scaring the local boys: Mike Tobo (5-8½); 'Idy' Idenouye (5-7¼); Tets Uno (5-9½); Bill Takeda (5-7); Rosie Ogaki (5-10½); George Ogaki (5-7); Kaide Shimizu (5-6); 'Nonky' Indenouye (5-8); Moto Kawahara (5-8). What! No six-footers!

Say, Woodfibre, can you make it on November 1. The league is staging their Opening social on that date and could easily squeeze in your game with the "has-been" Maikawas. Let us know if the date is satisfactory.

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Celtics Look Good: More Squads Welcome

Sure starting entries in the Intermediate Division of Mi Akiyama's maple court organization this winter will be Celtics, Trojans, Tuxis, Strawberry Hill and a fifth team which may get Harry Miyasaki's sponsorship, it was revealed at the initial meeting for the Intermediate and Junior players Tuesday night.

So far Celtics are the only team left from last year after the wholesale promotions up to senior ranks. If the squad from the sticks continues to show the improvement they registered last year, they should be top-heavy favourites in the intermediate picking this season.

Neither Steveston nor Ernie's were represented at the meeting.

Strawberry Hill or Kennedy is the entirely new aggregation from across the Fraser River. They have plenty of height and with a bit of practice in teamwork, should provide punchy competition.

Four Jr. Teams

Juniors have only four teams in the league roster as yet — Monarchs, Marpole and Trojans, and a new squad called the Hurricanes.

If there are still any teams desiring to enter either of the divisions, they are asked to send in their entry immediately because the deadline is next week, October 15. Unless commercially-sponsored, a team is not required to pay any entry fee. Intermediates, however, will be required to have uniforms.

The individual player fee is the same as last year, 50c for intermediates and 25c for the juniors. This amount together with a signed players' form must be handed in to the league treasurer by team captains before December 1.

The opening date of this year's casaba season will not take place until the middle of November, meanwhile a meeting of every player in the league will be called to revise the constitution and iron out all the difficulties. Everyone is requested to keep this meeting in mind.

Table Tennis Tables Going Up In League's New Headquarters

The paddlers are all set [illegible] their new headquarters [illegible] East Pender. The lumber [illegible] the tables is already at [illegible] clubhouse and is expected to [illegible] put into shape by the end [illegible] next week. According to [illegible] rector 'Bing' Tanaka, the team will start swinging around [illegible] end of this month.

Don't forget the table [illegible] roller-party on Thanksgiving Monday, October 13. It's [illegible] popular day so make it a point to get there and help the pa[illegible] roll.

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Final Figures Show that Kaz's Club Worked Hard

For the fourth consecutive year, slugging Kaz Suga has won the batting honors of the Asahi Baseball team. Complete figures for the season just ended show that Kaz powered out a total of 58 hits out of 147 times at bat for a brilliant average of .395. Besides his leading batting average, Kaz led the team in the number of solen bases, total bases, base hits, and runs batted in.

Finishing second in batting was Mike Maruno with a .313 average, made up of 42 hits out of 134 chances. Coming in a surprise third was husky Koei Mitsui, who made a late drive in the stretch to finish up with an average of .311. Yuki Uno with .303 was the other .300 or over hitter.

Kaz batted in a total of 30 runs, and Mike and Frank Shiraishi followed closely with 27 and 26 runs respectively.

Again, in the stolen bases department, fleet-footed Kaz led the way with 30 pilfered bags. Frank stole 21 bases and Mike finished with 18 stolen bases to his credit.

Kaz put together 14 doubles, 1 triple and 1 homer with 42 singles for 77 total bases to cop the honors in that department. Mike had 22 singles, 2 homers, and 18 doubles for 86 total bases. Yuki, who banged out 29 singles, 1 homer, 2 triples and 11 two-baggers, followed with 60.

Roy Yamamura was up to his usual tricks in drawing the most number of walks, 33. Yuki drew 29 walks and Mike 25.

Having the dubious honor of striking out most frequently was Eddie Nakamura, who whiffed 34 times. Ken Kutsukake and Kaz Suga with 12 each, had the least number of K's among the regulars.

	GP	AB	R	H	HR	3B	2B	RBI	Avg.	SB	BB	SO	TB
K. Suga	45	147	36	58	1	1	14	30	.395	30	15	12	77
M. Maruno	45	134	37	42	2	0	18	27	.313	18	25	18	86
K. Mitsui	37	103	11	32	1	1	8	19	.311	1	11	14	45
Y. Uno	45	142	29	43	1	2	11	16	.303	8	29	19	61
F. Shiraishi	45	149	31	42	4	0	6	26	.282	21	19	20	60
N. Nishihara	13	47	6	11	0	1	3	6	.234	4	3	7	16
E. Nakamura	38	99	18	23	1	2	12	16	.232	4	15	34	42
G. Shishido	43	119	19	27	0	0	8	13	.227	5	15	23	33
T. Kawayama	16	27	2	6	0	0	3	3	.222	0	5	2	9
K. Kutsukake	34	66	9	12	1	0	1	6	.182	5	17	12	16
R. Yamamura	44	122	24	21	1	1	4	10	.172	16	33	19	30
G. Yoshioka	12	23	2	2	0	0	1	2	.130	0	0	10	3

NOTE—GP, games played; AB, at bat; R, runs; H, hits; HR, home runs; 3B, triples; 2B, doubles; RBI, runs batted in; SB, stolen bases; BB, bases on balls; SO, strikeouts; TB, total bases.

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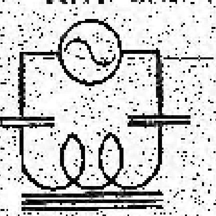

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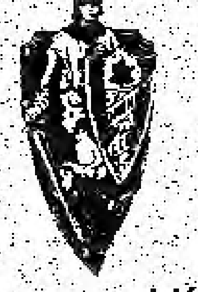

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